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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

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Examiner

Marie R. Yamnitzky

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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address --

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 11/21/03, 06/22/04, 07/06/04 & 09/16/04.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-15 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-15 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☒ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 24 January 2005 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- 1) ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - 2) ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - 3) ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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| 3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
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1. Applicant is reminded of the proper language and format for an abstract of the disclosure.

The abstract should be in narrative form and generally limited to a single paragraph on a separate sheet within the range of 50 to 150 words. It is important that the abstract not exceed 150 words in length since the space provided for the abstract on the computer tape used by the printer is limited. The form and legal phraseology often used in patent claims, such as "means" and "said," should be avoided. The abstract should describe the disclosure sufficiently to assist readers in deciding whether there is a need for consulting the full patent text for details.

The language should be clear and concise and should not repeat information given in the title. It should avoid using phrases which can be implied, such as, "The disclosure concerns," "The disclosure defined by this invention," "The disclosure describes," etc.

2. The abstract of the disclosure is objected to because it is not in the form of a single paragraph, and it includes phrases which can be implied (e.g. "The present invention provides" and "the invention provides"). Correction is required. See MPEP § 608.01(b).

3. Claims 1-15 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

Claim 1, with claims 2-15 dependent directly or indirectly therefrom, is confusing in reciting "M is at least one element" of group 9 or group 10. It is not clear how M can be more than one element for a single compound.

Since claim 1 appears to allow M to be more than one element for a single compound, it is not clear if claim 2's recitation of "an iridium element" and "a platinum element" allows for iridium or platinum in combination with one or more additional elements of group 9 or 10, or if M consists of iridium or platinum in the case of claim 2.

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4. Claims 1 and 3-9 are objected to because of the following informalities:

Claim 1 is not written in the form of a single sentence.

In each of claims 3-9, the period needs to be moved from the end of the second line to the end of the claim.

Appropriate correction is required.

5. Miscellaneous:

The specification contains many grammatical and spelling errors (e.g. “recombined each other” at page 2, line 23; “be a lightweight” at p. 3, l. 3; “citcuit” at p. 24, l. 13; “cirucit” at p. 24, l. 16). While some of the corrections are self-evident, and could be corrected by the examiner by informal examiner’s amendment at such time of the application is otherwise in condition for allowance, not all corrections are self-evident. Therefore, Applicant’s assistance in correcting grammatical and spelling errors in the specification is respectfully requested.

6. Claims 1-15 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the rejection(s) under 35 U.S.C. 112, 2nd paragraph, set forth in this Office action, with correction of the informalities noted in the objection to claims 1 and 3-9.

The prior art does not disclose or suggest a compound of general formula 1 as defined in present claim 1. In *Journal of Organometallic Chemistry* 604 (2000), pp. 178-185, Anderson et al. disclose platinum compounds having a thienyl imine ligand as shown in present general formula 1 wherein R₁ represents an aralkyl (aryl-substituted alkyl) group, and each of R₂, R₃ and

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R₄ represents hydrogen. Anderson's compounds do not contain a ligand L as defined in present claim 1.

7. Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to Marie R. Yamnitzky at telephone number (571) 272-1531. The examiner works a flexible schedule but can generally be reached at this number from 6:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, and every other Wednesday from 6:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

The current fax number for Art Unit 1774 is (703) 872-9306 for all official faxes. (Unofficial faxes to be sent directly to examiner Yamnitzky can be sent to (571) 273-1531.)

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April 11, 2005



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